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Classified By: Charge d'Affaires Sue K. Brown for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

(C) POL Chief delivered reftel demarche October 26 to MFA Chief Director and number three official Ambassador Ellen Nee-Whang, stressing USG concerns over efforts to water down the rape resolution and seeking Ghana's co-sponsorship. Nee-Whang noted that Ghana has taken a strong position against rape and violence toward women, and agreed with the gist of the resolution. While non-committal on co-sponsoring, Nee-Whang was particularly interested in which countries are leading the effort to water down the resolution. BROWN